HISTORICAL RECORD OF THE BEGINNINGS OF THE HEBER VALLEY REGIONAL FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY

This has been a dream and goal of Brother R. Raymond Green for many years. He has been accumulating books in his own library for many years. He also has been copying all family group sheets submitted to him for the four genealogy program since he had the responsibility for the Genealogy work in the Heber First Ward and also during the time he served as an alternate High Councilman in the old Wasatch Stake in Heber, Utah. He also has continued this through his tenure as High Councilman coordinator of Temple work and Genealogical work in the new Heber City Utah East Stake.

Brother Green has urged the High Council and Stake Presidencies of the two Stakes in Heber City for over three years to try to get a Genealogical Branch Library started in the Heber Valley, especially after having a favorable interview with three different brethren in the Genealogical Society of Utah in Salt Lake City, including Brother Theodore M. Burton the general authority with the assignment of the Genealogical work of the church.

In December of 1975 an application was approved by President Robert F. Clyde after the idea had been presented to the body of the Stake Priesthood on ______1975. This application was sent first to Brother Richard L. Warner, our Regional Representative, for his approval and signature, and this signature was received during January 1976.

After this application for a 2 Stake Branch Genealogical Library had been approved by President Reed Ford of the Heber Stake, President Robert F. Clyde of the Heber East Stake and Representative Richard L. Warner, it was forwarded to Elder Theodore M. Burton of the for approval. (January 1976) (The area covered in this approval included all of the former Wasatch Stake boundaries)

Brother George H. Fudge of the Genealogical Society of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints wrote a letter to President Robert F. Clyde stating that our application for the Heber Valley Genealogical Branch Library had been approved, and that we should proceed with completion of the "Requirements of Accreditation". (22 Jan 1976)

The above letter was postmarked and sent with further instructions today. (Jan 26,1976)
President Robert F. Clyde (of the Heber East Stake) handed the letter and further instructions to Brother Raymond Green. What a nice birthday gift to Brother Green on his 59th birthday. (Jan 29, 1976)

Brother Green presented a letter to President Clyde for his signature stating we were happy for the approval of the application and pointing out a delay in accreditation was probably necessary until the new Heber City Utah East Stake Center will be completed in fifteen months. (Feb 9, 1976) (This new building was where the Branch Library was to be housed.)

Met with Stake President Clyde again on the equipment list. President Klein and President Smedley want only 4 readers to begin with, then more later as need is shown. President Clyde said that it was better to get what you want now. There'll never be a better chance for the money. (Feb 11, 1976)

Brother Green received a go-ahead from the Stake Presidency (using the budget) to buy books and supplies for the Genealogical Library (Feb 10, 1976)

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